


REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are currently pending in the application. Claims 23 and 24 were previously withdrawn. The Applicant cancelled claims 2 and 7, amended all remaining claims except claim 12 and added new claims 25-28.

The Applicant submits that the claims as amended are patentable over the prior art, and accordingly the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application and its early allowance. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned should direct communication on this matter be deemed helpful to facilitate progression of the case.

Respectfully submitted,

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